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## Marshall House

### **Architectural Survey File**

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Marshall House

c. 1803

St. Michaels

private

Sited on the northwest corner of Locust and Carpenter streets, the Marshall house belongs to a handful of single-story, double-pile frame houses erected during the first decade of the nineteenth century. In contrast to the other houses of the same form, the Marshall house contains one of the better surviving interiors with its Federal period mantels, stair, doors, and chair rail. The second floor is divided by beaded board parititions.

As photographed around 1938-1940, the Marshall house was covered with horizontal weatherboards and the south gable end had an exposed brick firewall. A short single-story addition was attached to the north end.

Construction of this house is attributed to John Harrison, who purchased this property in 1803 from Joseph Harrison for \$39.(30/346). At John Harrison's death the Circuit Court of Talbot County appointed a trustee and authorized the sale of the house and lot to Mary Ann Ash (59/254). The following year the house was transferred to Hugh Marshall for \$374.50 (60/76).

# Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form

Survey No. T-563

Magi No. 2105635304

DOE ☐ yes ☒ no

## 1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic

and/or common Marshall House

## 2. Location

street &amp; number 104 Locust Street

☐ not for publication

city, town St. Michaels

☐ vicinity of

congressional district First

state Maryland

county

Talbot

## 3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> commercial
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational
<input type="checkbox"/> site	<b>Public Acquisition</b>	<b>Accessible</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> not applicable	<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military
			<input type="checkbox"/> museum
			<input type="checkbox"/> park
			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private residence
			<input type="checkbox"/> religious
			<input type="checkbox"/> scientific
			<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
			<input type="checkbox"/> other:

## 4. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name Mrs. Marshall

street &amp; number

telephone no.:

city, town St. Michaels

state and zip code MD 21663

## 5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Talbot County Clerk of Court liber

street &amp; number Talbot County Courthouse folio

city, town Easton

state MD

## 6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title

date

☐ federal ☐ state ☐ county ☐ local

depository for survey records

city, town

state

## 7. Description

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### Condition

☐ excellent  
☒ good  
☐ fair

☐ deteriorated  
☐ ruins  
☐ unexposed

### Check one

☐ unaltered  
☒ altered

### Check one

☒ original site  
☐ moved      date of move \_\_\_\_\_

Prepare both a summary paragraph and a general description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

#### Marshall house description

The Marshall house stands on the northwest corner of the intersection of Locust and Carpenter streets in St. Michaels, Talbot County, Maryland. The single-story frame house faces east with the gable roof oriented on a north/south axis.

Built c. 1800-1810, double-pile frame house rests on a minimal brick foundation, and it is sheathed with aluminum siding. A steeply pitched roof with flush gable ends and a boxed cornice is covered with asphalt shingles.

The east (main) elevation is three bays across with a center door and flanking windows with replaced sash. A concrete front step, a metal awning, and louvered aluminum shutters have been added to the front facade.

The south side is marked by gable end windows located to each side of the stuccoed interior end brick chimney. The north end is likewise marked by gable end windows with replaced sash.

The west (rear) facade has a center door and flanking windows like the front wall.

The two-room first floor interior has been generally remodeled with the front room converted to a kitchen. In spite of artificial layers of imitation brick and board paneling, the Federal period mantels, doors, and chair rail remain in place. The front corner mantel follows a standard Federal period format with a molded surround, a five-part frieze and a broken shelf. The frieze blocks are fluted and the mantel shelf consists of a complex series of early nineteenth-century moldings. The back room survives with its mantel in addition to the enclosed winder stair. The mantel has a molded surround and a two-part paneled frieze. This mantel shelf is not broken, and it consists of a series of cyma curves and molded edges. The chair rail also remains in place in the back room. The stair rises against the south wall behind a raised four-panel door.

## Marshall house description

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The second floor is divided into three rooms by beaded board partitions. Board and batten doors are framed by narrow ovolo molded surrounds. The rooms are finished with beaded baseboard, and the small crawl space access doors are framed by the same molded surround.

The attic was inaccessible, so the exact nail type was not determined.

## 8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400–1499	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-historic	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500–1599	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> sculpture
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600–1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> social/
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700–1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> humanitarian
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800–1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900–	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)

### Specific dates

### Builder/Architect

check: Applicable Criteria: ☐ A ☐ B ☒ C ☐ D  
and/or

Applicable Exception: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E ☐ F ☐ G

Level of Significance: ☐ national ☐ state ☒ local

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

The Marshall house is one of a handful of single-story or story-and-a-half double pile frame or brick houses that stand in the residential districts of St. Michaels. In contrast to the other houses of the same form, the Marshall house contains one of the better surviving interiors with its Federal period mantels, doors, and chair rail. The back stair is also another rare feature, as is the second floor with its beaded board partitions.

## 9. Major Bibliographical References

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## 10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property \_\_\_\_\_

Quadrangle name \_\_\_\_\_

Quadrangle scale \_\_\_\_\_

UTM References do NOT complete UTM references

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Zone Easting Northing

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Verbal boundary description and justification

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state	code	county	code
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state	code	county	code
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## 11. Form Prepared By

name/title Paul Touart - Architectural Historian

organization Historic St. Michaels date 10/26/85

street &amp; number telephone

city or town St. Michaels state MD 21663

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Shaw House  
21 State Circle  
Annapolis, Maryland 21401  
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MRS. MARSHALL - LOCUST STREET

Year: 1959 Vol: 34 Page: 39 (WILL)

From: Will of Clarence H Waters Price:

To:

Notes: "I Clarence H Waters of St Michaels, Talbot County do hereby make my last will and testament.

To my daughter, Genevieve Waters Luscombe, I give and bequeath everything stocks, bonds, real estate, insurance, everything that I own. Signed 12/9/59. Probate 1965.

Year: 1928 Vol: 213 Page: 143

From: Elizabeth A Willis Price:

To: Clarence H Waters

Notes: See copy of deed, attached.

1928, 213/145 is a mortgage to Citizens Bank of the Eastern Shore Trust Company for \$450

Year: 1875 Vol: 12 Page: 415-452

From: Hope vs Marshall Chancery Record 27 Nov 1875

Heirs of Hugh Marshall sue

to force sale of Hugh Marshall's real estate

Notes: Very lengthy and involved several properties, including the "brick hotel". Part of the testimony states that there are two houses on the corner Locust & Carpenter lot, that they are in poor condition and in need of immediate repair. They are appraised for \$200.

Year: 1875 Vol: 81 Page: 406

From: Henry H Goldsborough and William G Roberts, trustees Price: \$5

To: Elizabeth A Willis

Notes: By order of Circuit Court, 3 Feb 1874. Louis K Marshall, etal complaintants vs Daniel Hope, admin of Hugh Marshall dcd, etal defendants. G & R were appointed to sell land of dcd. This is lot #4 and is sold to Elizabeth A Willis, wife of Lewis C Willis. Begin at point on Carpenter St where lot #3 sold to John Jefferson intersects #4; run with #3 N 18 W 60 perches (!) to Thomas Willey; with Willey N 71 E 60 feet to Locust Street; with Locust St S 18 E 60 feet to Carpenter Street; with Carpenter Street to beginning.

There are two suits. One is Marshall vs Hope and the other, Hope vs Marshall. Apparently the land was sold before the case(s) were wrapped up. I would prefer to omit the Chancery reference, except for the testimony regarding the condition of the house.



MRS. MARSHALL - LOCUST STREET

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Year: 1846 Vol: 60 Page: 76

From: John and Mary Ann Leaverton Price: \$374.50

To: Hugh Marshall

Notes: Sale is for a "framed house and lot". Begins at a corner where two roads intended to become streets or alleys intersect. Run N 21 1/4 W 3 1/2 perches, 3 links to Philip Willer (!); with Willer (!) S 68 3/4 W 7.6 perches to Phil-emon Hambleton; with Hambleton S 21 1/4 E 3 1/2 perches , 3 links; then to beginning.

"Said house and lot was sold to Mary Ann Ash, now Mary Ann Leaverton by Samuel Hambleton Jr trustee for the sale of real estate of John Harrison, dcd. 2 Dec 1845, 59/254.

Year: 1845 Vol: 59 Page: 254

From: Samuel Hambleton Jr, trustee Price: \$5

To: Mary Ann Ash

Notes: By Circuit Court decree 9 May 1842 Samuel Hambleton Jr was appointed trustee and authorized to sell the real estate of John Harrison, dcd. On 26 July 1843 Mary Ann Ash bought the dwelling house and lot. Same description as 1846, 60/76.

Year: 1803 Vol: 30 Page: 346

From: Joseph Harrison of Joseph &amp; Mary Price: \$39

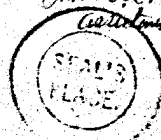
To: John Harrison

Notes: Part of "Joseph's Lot". Begin at a post at a corner of two roads or ways intended to be established as streets or alleys opposite to the lot leased by Thomas Harrison, dcd to Thomas Dodson. Run with one road or alley N 23 W 60 feet; then S 67 W 120 feet; then S 23 E 60 feet to the other road or alley; then straight to the beginning.

Early history should follow the chain of "Joseph's Lot" (or "Stopper") through Joseph, Mary, Thomas, and Robert Harrison; Edward Elliott and Christopher Stauffer (Stamper, or Stanpher, etc)

In value money, we hereby release the within mortgage  
 Don witness, John W. Union Trust Company of Maryland, Inc., has  
 caused this mortgage to be executed by its duly authorized officer, and the  
 Corporation to be personally affixed this 15th day of January, 1929.

Test:  
 Francis B. Joine  
 Assistant Secretary



Union Trust Company of Maryland, Inc.  
 By Charles W. Hoff  
 Vice President

Received January 16, 1929  
 J. W. Hoff, Secy.

# DEED.

ELIZABETH A. WILLIS

Be it remembered that on this 17th, day of January,

TO

A.D., 1928, at 3:45 o'clock P.M., the following Deed or

CLARENCE H. WATERS

Instrument of writing was received to be recorded and is

accordingly enrolled as follows, to wit:-

THIS DEED, Made this 16th, day of January, in the year of our Lord, one thousand, nine hundred and twenty-eight, by Elizabeth A. Willis (widow) of Talbot County, in the State of Maryland.

WITNESSETH, That in consideration of the sum of Three Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$350) the said Elizabeth A. Willis doth grant and convey unto Clarence H. Waters, of said County, and state, his heirs and assigns, in fee simple, all and singular that lot of land, situate, lying and being at the northwest corner, or intersection of Carpenters Alley and Locust Street, in the town of St. Michaels, in Talbot County aforesaid, and described as follows, that is to say:

BEGINNING for the same at a point on the north side of said Carpenters Alley, at the corner of the lot of the late John Jefferson, and running thence with said lot (known as Lot No. 3 on a plat made by Thomas J. Warren, Surveyor, April 7, 1874) north 18 degrees west twenty five (25) feet to the reserved land of the grantor; thence therewith north 71 degrees east, sixty (60) feet to Locust street, thence therewith, south 18 de-

Examined, Ed. W. Hoff, Secy. U. T. Co. 1-20-29

green east twenty-five (25) feet to Carpenters' Alley; thence with said alley westerly sixty (60) feet, to the place of beginning.

BEING part of Lot No.4 conveyed unto the said Elizabeth A. Willis (as wife of Louis C. Willis, now deceased) by Henry Goldsborough and William G. Robert Trustees of Hugh Marshall estate, by deed bearing date October 28, 1875, duly recorded in Liber No. 81, Folio 406, Land record of Talbot County aforesaid,

TOGETHER with the buildings and improvements thereupon erected, made and being; and all and every, the rights, alleys, ways, waters, privileges, appurtenances and advantages thereto belonging or in anywise appertaining.

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the said lot or parcel of land and premises, above described and mentioned and hereby intended to be conveyed; together with the rights, privileges, appurtenances and advantages, thereto belonging, or appertaining unto and to the proper use and benefit of the said Clarence H. Waters, his heirs and assigns, in fee simple.

AND the said Elizabeth A. Willis, hereby covenants that she will warrant specially the property hereby granted and conveyed; and that she will execute such other and further assurances of said land and title as may be required.

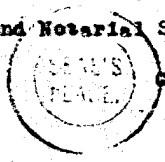
WITNESS the hand and seal of the said Grantor.

Test: George A. Seymour, Jr. Elizabeth A. Willis (Seal)

STATE OF MARYLAND, TALBOT COUNTY, SS:

I HEREBY CERTIFY, That on this 16th, day of January, in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-eight, before me, the subscriber, a Notary Public of the State of Maryland, in and for Talbot County aforesaid, personally appeared Elizabeth A. Willis, the Grantor named in the foregoing Instrument, and she acknowledged the foregoing Deed to be her act.

AS WITNESS my hand and Notarial Seal.



George A. Seymour, Jr.  
Notary Public.

WILLIAM H. VALLIANT ✓  
TO  
ROBERT L. NEWNAM ✓

DEED.

Be it remembered that on this 18th, day of January, A.D., 1928, at 12:45 o'clock P.M., the following Deed or Instrument of writing was received to be recorded and is accordingly enrolled as follows, to wit:

Examined & recorded by Notary Public 1/31/28

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DR. DODSON'S  
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ST. MARY'S  
SQUARE

METHODIST  
CEMETERY

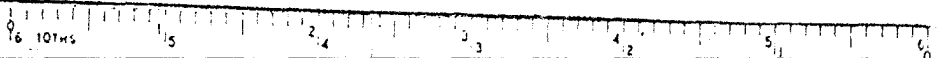
BACK CREEK

MAP  
OF  
ST. MICHAELS

TALBOT CO. MARYLAND

SCALE  
1" = 100'

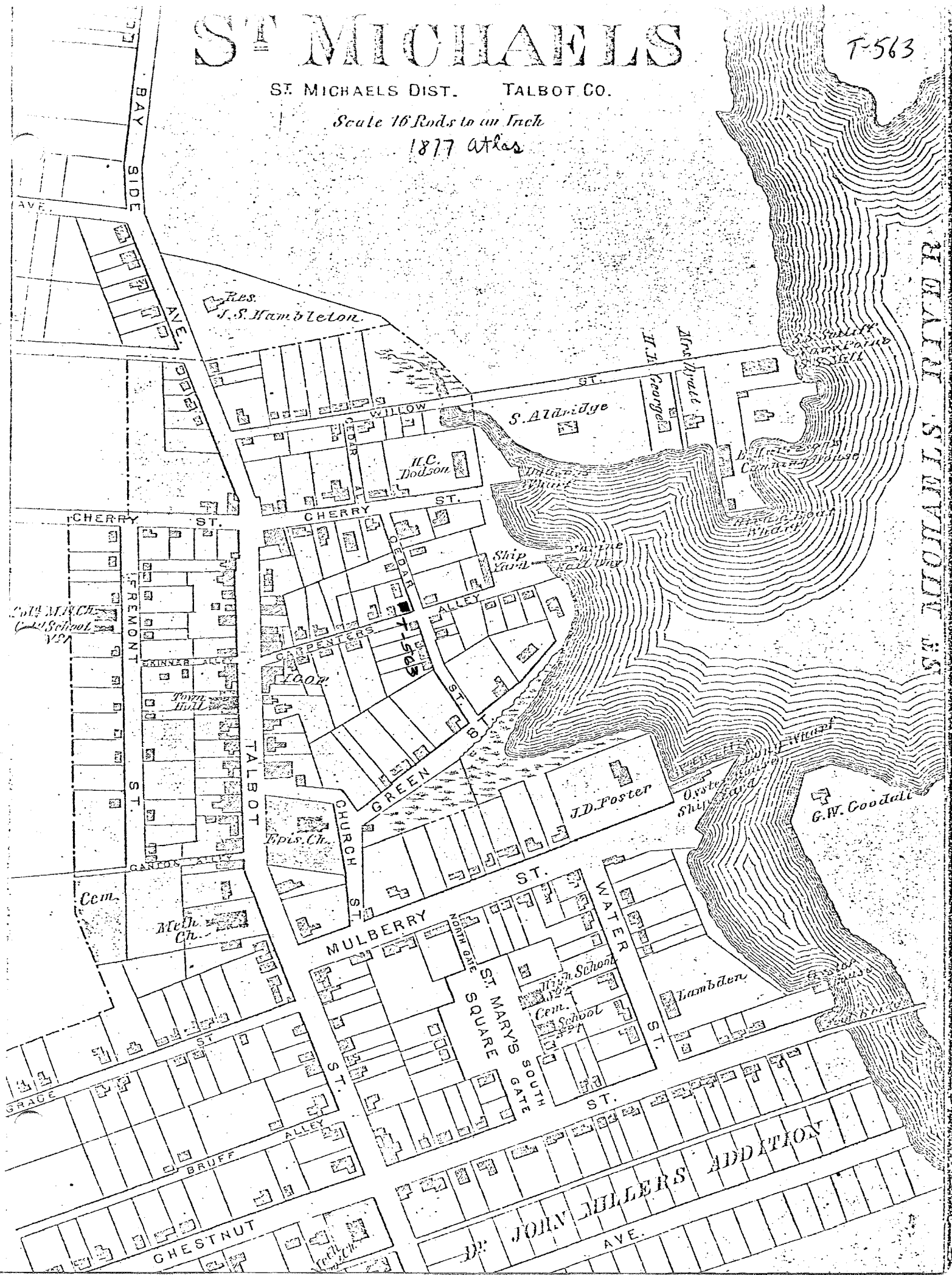
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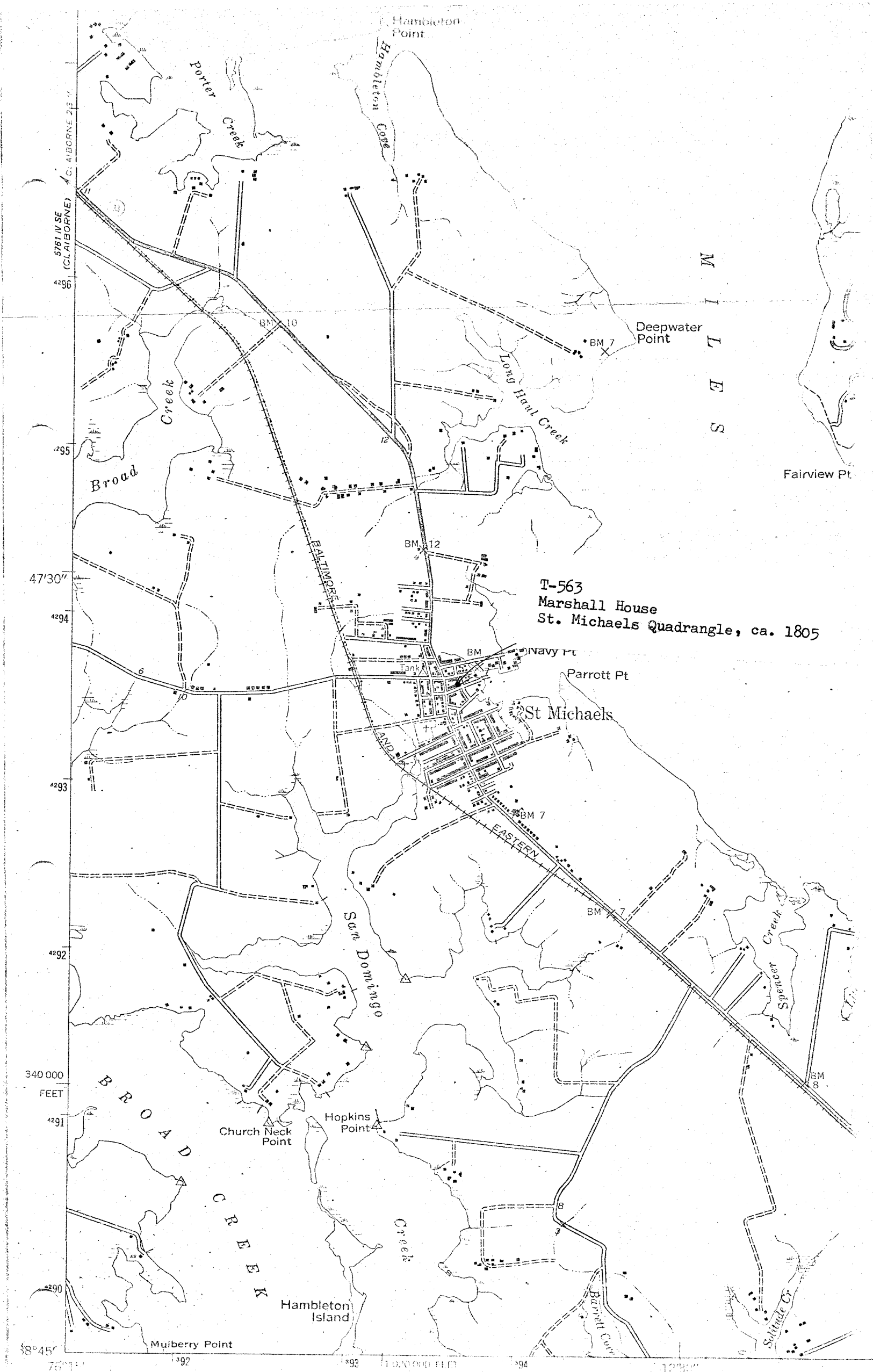


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Scale 16 Rods to an Inch

1877 atlas





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Marshall House  
St. Michaels Quadrangle, ca. 1805

Navy Pt  
Parrott Pt

St Michaels

BROAD  
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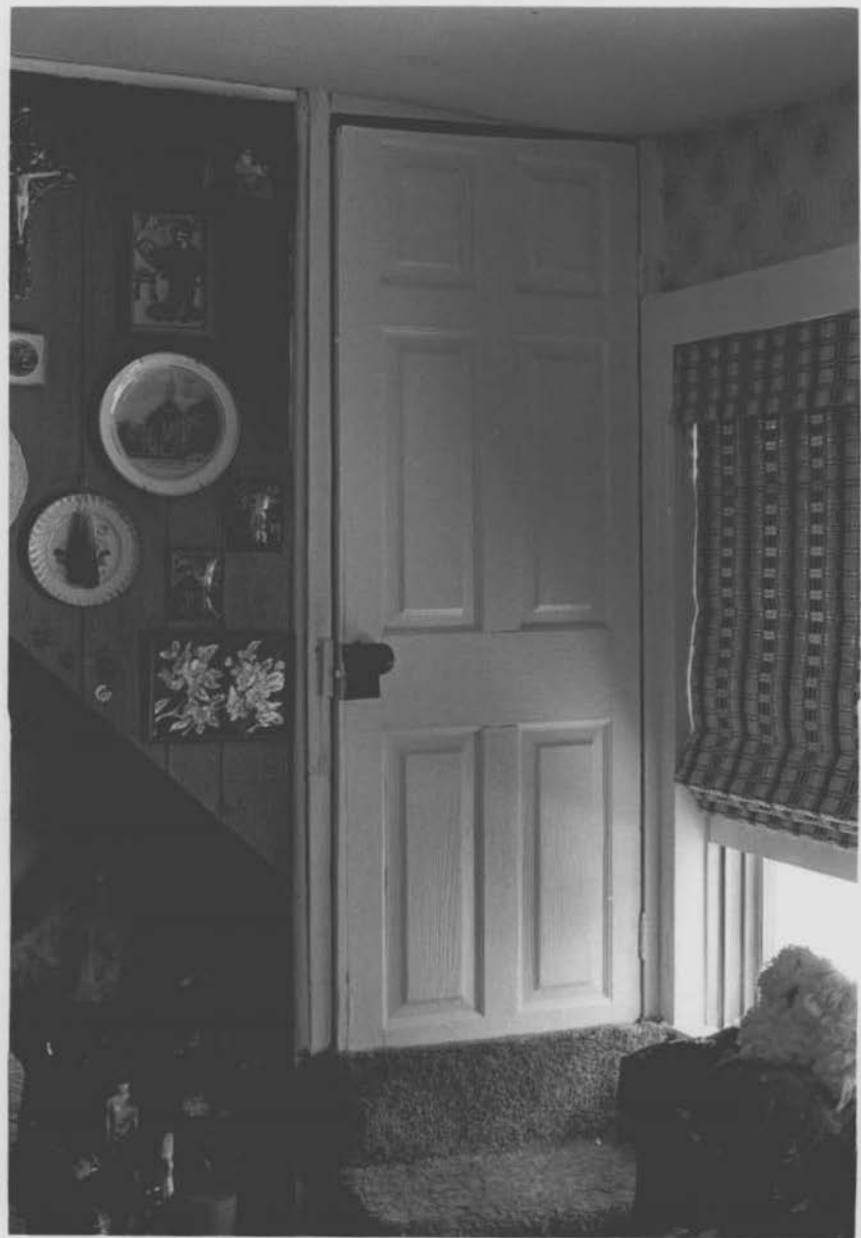
St. Michaels, Talbot County, Maryland

Northeast Elevation

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St. Michaels, Talbot County, Maryland

Six-Panel Door

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Living Room Mantel

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Federal Mantel

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